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1. The Polish Army, including the infantry, the WOP (Military Border Guard) and the KBW (Corps of Internal Security), all wear uniforms of a dirty greenish color, similar to the color of the pre-war Polish Army uniforms. The color is described in Polish as "zielonkawy". The only exception to the above is that the WOP troops in the coastal areas are dressed in naval uniforms, and the inscription "Wojsko Ochrony Pogranicza" appears on their caps. The cap bands of personnel in the different branches of the service vary as follows:

Infantry troops - red bands
WOP (except in coastal areas) - light green bands
KBW - light blue bands
Airforce and armored troops - blue bands

All the so-called technical arms of the service have uniforms of steel color, with black cap bands.

2. Exceptions to the above are as follows:
- The troops of the First Infantry Division (Dywizja Kosciuszki), with regiments in Warsaw, and in Praga and Legionowo, two suburbs of Warsaw, have yellow cap bands.
 - Members of an honorary cavalry unit, the only cavalry unit in Poland, have red or purplish (amaranth) colored cap bands. The cavalry unit is part of Boleslaw Bierut's retinue.
3. Very few insignia appear either on uniform collars or sleeves and, except for troops of the technical branches, it is difficult to recognize to what arms of the services troops belong.

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